

Test your knowledge of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the struggle for civil rights

Today is a national holiday commemorating the life of slain civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. But how much do you know about his life and work? Take the following quiz. Then turn to page 21 to check your answers.

1. What year was Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. assassinated?
 - a. 1960
 - b. 1963
 - c. 1968
 - d. 1973
2. Where did Rosa Parks become famous?
 - a. At a Woolworth's lunch counter in Greensboro, N.C.
 - b. At a high school in Little Rock, Ark.
 - c. On a bus in Montgomery, Ala.
 - d. On a march in Selma, Ala.
3. Which president signed the first major civil rights act of this century?
 - a. John F. Kennedy
 - b. Lyndon B. Johnson
 - c. Richard M. Nixon
 - d. Ronald Reagan
4. Which president signed the law creating the Martin Luther King holiday?
 - a. John F. Kennedy
 - b. Lyndon B. Johnson
 - c. Richard M. Nixon
 - d. Ronald Reagan
5. What was the name of King's first book?
 - a. *Stride Toward Freedom*
 - b. *Dreamer*
 - c. *Why We Can't Wait*
 - d. *We Shall Overcome*
6. Where was the tactic of the sit-in protest first used?
 - a. At a Woolworth's lunch counter in Greensboro, N.C.
 - b. At a high school in Little Rock, Ark.
 - c. On a bus in Montgomery, Ala.
 - d. On a march in Selma, Ala.
7. Where did King deliver his "I Have a Dream" speech?
 - a. At Ebenezer Baptist Church
 - b. In front of the Atlanta City Hall
 - c. At the Lincoln Memorial
 - d. At the Nobel Prize ceremony
8. To what foreign figure has King been compared?
 - a. Charles de Gaulle
 - b. Mohandas Gandhi
 - c. Albert Nobel
 - d. Nelson Mandela
9. What year was the Martin Luther King, Jr. national holiday first observed?
 - a. 1969
 - b. 1973
 - c. 1980
 - d. 1986
10. What black leader was killed five years before King's assassination?
 - a. James Meredith
 - b. Malcolm X
 - c. Medgar Evers
 - d. Stokely Carmichael
11. Why was King arrested in 1956?
 - a. For protesting segregated department store facilities in Birmingham
 - b. For driving too fast
 - c. For sitting in at a Woolworth's lunch counter
 - d. For assaulting a police officer